AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 21 with the following amended paragraph:

A more detailed block diagram of a metal exchange server 104 is illustrated in FIG. 3. Like the client device 102, the controller 302 in the server 104 preferably includes a central processing unit 304 electrically coupled by an address/data bus 306 to a memory device 308 and a network interface circuit 310. However, the ~~sever~~ server controller 302 is typically more powerful than the client controller 202. Again, the CPU 304 may be any type of well known CPU, such as an Intel PentiumTM processor, and the memory device 308 preferably includes volatile memory and non-volatile memory. Preferably, the memory device 308 stores a software program that implements all or part of the method described below. This program may be executed by the CPU 304 in a well known manner. However, some of the steps described in the method below may be performed manually or without the use of the server 104. The memory device 308 and/or a separate database 314 also store files, programs, web pages, etc. for use by servers 104, 106 and/or the client devices 102.